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SUBJECT: CSU REACTION TO CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE FINDINGS

1. CSU PRESS RELEASE DATED MARCH 12 INDICATES THAT IN VIEW OF CSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE TERMINATION OF THE CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS CONCERNING THE LOCKHEED AFFAIR INDICATES THAT A FAR-REACHING, "REPUTATION-KILLING" CAMPAIGN OF INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE, WHOSE AIM WAS TO PUT THE CSU AND ITS LEADER FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS OUT OF BUSINESS, HAS COLLAPSED. THE PRESS ALSO STATES THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGREED THAT "THE PRACTICE OF A PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE OF ONE COUNTRY PUBLICLY SITTING IN JUDGMENT ON POLITICANS AND POLITICAL PARTIES OF ANOTHER IS NOT CONDUCIVE TO THE STRENGTHENING OF CONFIDENCE BETWEEN TWO ALLIES."

2. WITHOUT MENTIONING HAUSER BY NAME, THE RELEASE SAYS THAT "ONE WOULD HAVE TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY THAT CERTAIN ACTORS IN THIS CAMPAIGN WERE IN CONTACT WITH FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES."PETERSON

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